## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Attempted Home Improvement Fraud to Senior Citizen

On Thursday, January 29, 2015 an Elsmere officer was on patrol in the area of the unit block of Olga Road and observed a suspicious subject standing on the sidewalk. The officer spoke with the male subject who stated he was from Virginia and was currently at a residence in the unit block of Olga Road for home repairs.

Upon further questioning the officer determined the subject did not have a Town of Elsmere business license which is required by all contractors.

A further investigation conducted by the officer did reveal that all three defendants had conspired to attain payment from the victim for work they did not intended to complete and return to the Commonwealth of Virginia.

All three subjects were taken into custody and arrested on the below charges.

If you believe you may have had contact with any of these individuals, please contact PFC John Giles at (302) 998-1173 or john.giles@cj.state.de.us.

Defendant #1: Ronnie A. Jenkins of the 200 block of 4<sup>th</sup> Street Luray, VA was charged with Attempted Home Improvement Fraud of person 62 yrs or older, Conspiracy Second Degree-Agreement to Engage in Felony Criminal Conduct. Def #1 was also cited for Failure to obtain a business license with the Town of Elsmere

Defendant#2: Michael Taylor of the unit blk of Bristol Avenue Luray, VA was charged with Attempted Home Improvement Fraud of person 62 yrs or older, Conspiracy Second Degree-Agreement to Engage in Felony Criminal Conduct.

Defendant #3: Roy Wayne Sisk of the 6000 blk of Slate Mills Road Boston, VA was charged with Attempted Home Improvement Fraud of person 62 yrs or older, Conspiracy Second Degree-Agreement to Engage in Felony Criminal Conduct.

The defendants were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Court 2 and were each released on \$4,000.00 unsecured bail and were given a no contact order with the victim and the Town of Elsmere.